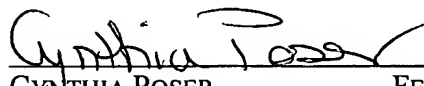




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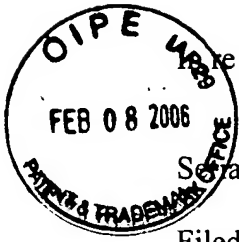
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 8, 2005, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks and amendments set forth below and requests favorable action thereon.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is due February 8, 2006, this Response is timely filed.